

## Network Security and Information Assurance at Jackson State University

### *A Successful Story*

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## Jackson State University

- ℳ Jackson, MS
- ℳ Historically Black University (HBCU)
- ℳ Student enrollment at JSU is 7815 students
  - 63% female,
  - 81% undergraduates, and
  - 94% African Americans

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## Jackson State University – CSET

- ℳ Student enrollment at the College of Science, Engineering, and Technology is 1655 students
  - 23% of JSU total enrollment
  - 52% female,
  - 87% undergraduates, and
  - 94% African Americans

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## Jackson State University – CS

- ℳ Student enrollment at the department of computer science is 330 students
  - 20% of the total enrollment of CSET
  - 38% female,
  - 76% undergraduates, and
  - 84% African Americans
- ℳ Offers BS and MS

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## Collaboration with Mississippi State University

- ℳ Dr. Rayford Vaughn
- ℳ Network Security Education
- ℳ Distance learning
- ℳ NSF grants

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## Network Security Education

- ℳ Distance learning in 2003
  - Dr. R. Vaughn
- ℳ Semi distance learning in 2004
  - Dr. R. Vaughn
- ℳ Classroom learning starting in 2005
  - Dr. H. Kettani
- ℳ The course includes a lab with 11 assignments

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## NSF Grants

- Ω “Collaborative Project: Expansion and Enhancement of the Center of Excellence in Information Assurance Program,” with regard to “Federal Cyber Service: Scholarship for Service (SFS)”
  - Grant of \$127,527 Awarded, August 2003 – August 2004
- Ω “Collaborative Project: A Cyber Service Scholarship Proposal,” with regard to “Federal Cyber Service: Scholarship for Service (SFS)”
  - Grant of \$222,074 Awarded, August 2003 – August 2006
- Ω PI: L. Moore, Co-PI: H. Kettani and C. Bland

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## Student Support

- Ω Two undergrad and two grads
- Ω Summer internships at government institutions
- Ω Research projects
- Ω Conference publications

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## Educational Conferences Attended

- Ω SANS Silicon Valley, San Jose, California, March, 2004
  - Track 1: Security Essentials
- Ω SANS Fire, Monterey, California, July, 2004
  - Track 9: Information Security
- Ω The 6<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Education in Computer Security (WECS6), Monterey, California, July, 2004

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## Towards A Center of Academic Excellence

- Ω Successfully mapped NSIA courses in Standards 4011 and 4014 Entry Level of the Information Assurance Courseware Evaluation (IACE) in February 2004
- Ω JSU has received recognition and a certificate during the CNSS Annual Conference, Norfolk, Virginia, April, 2004.
- Ω Applied to the 8<sup>th</sup> annual NSA and DHS for the Centers of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education Program Offering in December 2005.

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## Questions & Comments



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